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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN GRANT AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES

LITTLE ROCK (10-19) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Grant and Jefferson Counties, according to Commission Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado.

The purpose of the project is to reconstruct approximately 7.5 miles of Interstate 530. Interstate Highway Construction, Inc. of Englewood, Colorado, was awarded the contract at \$25,984,673.23.

"This project will involve replacing the main travel lanes in both directions on this section of Interstate 530," Murphy stated. "The improvements will begin just south of the Pulaski County line and extend southward to the Jefferson interchange."

Murphy said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the spring of 2013.

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